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To: Henning, Alan
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Thanks for the update, Alan. Is it today or next week in which you cannot participate in the CZARA update call?

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From: Henning, Alan
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Dave and Jayne,

As a follow-up to the last CZARA check-in call, I was tasked with finding out the State's progress in addressing the forestry issues identified in our proposed CZARA decision document.

I talked with Marganne Allen, Policy and Monitoring Manager for the ODF team accessing the results of the RipStream Study. The RipStream study, along with other studies and ODF data, should provide the support for ODF rule changes for greater protections for medium and small fish bearing streams.

Marganne indicate that ODF intended to present a decision document on the rule change options to the Board of Forestry at the Board meeting in April. However, the assessment of the study/data has taken longer than expected. As such, ODF will not have a decision document ready for the Board's consideration in April, but instead, will brief the BOF on the progress being made in completing the assessment. Unfortunately, Marganne didn't have a clear sense of when a decision document would be ready for the Board's consideration. The next regularly scheduled BOF meeting is June 4, 2014, certainly beyond the CZARA decision deadline.

I asked Marganne how ODF was intending to address the forestry roads issue. Marganne indicate that ODF did not concur with NOAA/EPA's position in the draft decision document and, with the exception of relevant roads information/data that may come from a Trask River Watershed Study, she wasn't aware of other ODF steps to address this MM. Based on what I have heard from an individual really familiar with the Trask study, it is not likely to be a solid source of information for addressing this issue.

I also asked Marganne if ODF was intending to address the high risk landslides issue. Again, Marganne indicated that ODF did not concur with NOAA/EPA's position and wasn't aware of steps being taken by ODF to address this.

I also had conversations with Mary Scurlock (Environmentalist) and Josh Seeds (DEQ) who both attended a special meeting of the BOF (or a subcommittee of the BOF) last week. Both indicated that

timber industry representatives have been wanting to derail the BOF's consideration of rule revisions for greater protections on small and medium F streams by raising concerns with a variety of issues including the adequacy of the State's water quality standards. The BOF pushed back. There was almost full agreement from the Board members that studies show rule changes need to be made to protect these streams and that the process for rule revision needs to move forward. So it appears the rules revision process will continue, which is very good news.

I may have left both of you voice mail messages indicating that I won't be on Monday's check-in call, however, I think I will join you to give this update. Based on my discussions with Marganne, Mary and Josh we may be seeing a mixture of some good actions and some "no" actions or some insufficient actions to address the remaining forestry MMs. I do think there is one thing we can be sure of and that is we will not likely to see rule changes before our May decision deadline.

Have a good weekend and we'll talk on Monday.